

AMENDMENTS

In the Title

Please replace the existing title with:

**--METHOD FOR FORMING A SOFT ADJACENT LAYER (SAL)
MAGNETORESISTIVE (MR) SENSOR ELEMENT WITH TRANSVERSELY
MAGNETICALLY BIASED SOFT ADJACENT LAYER (SAL)--**

In the Specification

At page 16, line 11, replace "18a and 18b" with --20a and 20b--.

At page 18, line 15, replace "a alphabetic" with --an alphabetic--.

At page 19, line 17, replace "_____/_____, filed _____" with --09/046,008,
filed 23 March 1998--.

At page 19, lines 18-19, delete "[Atty Docket Number HT 96-010C]".

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